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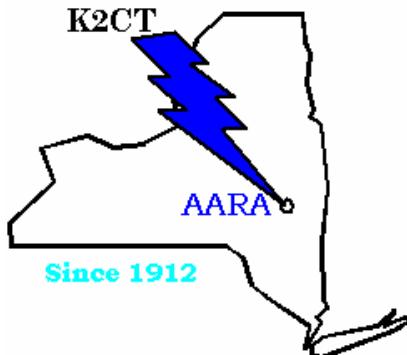
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AARA

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[1653 Central Ave. Colonie](#)

Friday SEPT. 9

Social Hour 6:55 PM
Meeting begins 7:47 PM
refreshments
soda, diet soda, coffee

SEPT Meeting

Getting ready for the
Fall Contest Season.

Field Day in review

2006 - 5902 pts for Q's and 1150 bonus for
a total of 7052 pts.

Up-Coming Hamfests

Amateur Radio and the Internet

Amateur Radio digital modes

K2CT Repeater

**Talk-in repeater
145.19 (-) MHz
pl tone 103.5Hz**

or

444.30 (+) w/pl tone 100.0Hz

AARA Dues

Dues are \$15 with
B-PLUS available at the K2CT Web page in
.pdf format www.k2ct.net
OR \$20 for first class mailing of the
newsletter Checks should be made out to
AARA and sent to: Saul Abrams, K2XA,
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CHALLENGE AWARD TOTALS

AARA DXCC TOTALS

call	CURRENT	TOTAL	Countries Needed
K2XF	335	343	
K2XA	334	352	BS7
K2VV	333	354	
WA3AFS	333	341	BS7, P5
K2EP	333	337	BS7, VU7
WK2H	331		4W, BS7, E4, P5
K2ONP	328	333	FR/G, FR/J, FT/X, VK9X, YVO, ZL8, ZS8
W2GDJ	326		
K2BX	316	315	
N1JP	310	314	
NA2NA	186	188	
WF2B	184	177	

	Total
K2VV	2431
K2XF	2082
K2EP	1521
K2BX	1507
N1JP	1010
W2GDJ	583
WF2B	498

- : Congratulations to K2EP for receiving 1500 endorsement for the Challenge Award.
- : Congratulations to K2ONP for 5BDXCC with 160 meters endorsement.

DX

With the change in the DXCC rules we have 2 new countries.

YU6, YT6, 4O – Montenegro, contacts made after June 28, 2006 will count. *An official prefix has not yet been assigned.*

KH8 – Swain Island, contacts after 0001GMT on July 22, 2006 will count.

It looks good for VU7 (Lakshadweep Is.) operation in mid January 2007. That's one most of us need.

Their must more DXers out there. **Please** send me you totals.

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73, Ernie K2EP



WE2F SK

It is with deep regret and personal sadness that I inform you that John Naberezny, WE2F passed away peacefully at his home on August 13th with his family at his side. John was courageous in his fight and the family was proud of him. All who knew John, loved him and will miss him greatly. Rest in peace good friend till we meet again.

Dave, W2GDJ

ATTENTION AARA CONTESTERS!

Send us your call, entry category, mode, power level, number of QSOs, number of country multipliers, and claimed score.

73, Walt, WA1KKM and Sue, N2LBR

Send all of the above (plain text only) to:
sue.walt@verizon.net

See you in the pileups! 73,

www.k2ct.net

WE are looking for pictures of your Ham Shack

Send pictures to Peter, N2KAD

Please try the new site and let me know what you think. If you have any feedback please let me know.

73, Peter Hines, N2KAD, webmaster
hines@nycap.rr.com with any suggestions.

Public Service:

Volunteer CONTACT Ernie, K2EP 477-9581

AARA WE Need YOU to Volunteer AARA

OLD FRIEND STOPS TO SAY HELLO



Saturday morning coffee at Panara's welcomes an old friend. WM3X (ex KN2Q) Bill Michne was back in the area for a short visit. He was a long time member of AARA and was B+ editor for several years. Bill and his wife Beth now reside on the coast of North Carolina. Still radio active, he hopes to stir some interest in contesting with the local hams in 4 land.

(L to R) N2KAD, K2ONP, K2XF, N1JP, WM3X, K2BX AND K2EP. Photo by WA2MMX

TWO RADIO AMATEURS TO BE ABOARD SHUTTLE

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Two radio amateurs to be aboard shuttle Atlantis: Mission Specialist Heide Stefanyshyn-Piper, KD5TVR, and Dan Burbank, KC5ZSX, will be the only US Amateur Radio licensees aboard the shuttle Atlantis, scheduled to head for the International Space Station Sunday, August 27, at 2030 UTC. The only woman on

Mission STS-115, Stefanyshyn-Piper will be making first trip into space since becoming an astronaut 10 years ago. Burbank previously flew on Mission STS-106. In addition to Stefanyshyn-Piper and Burbank, the STS-115 crew consists of Commander Brent Jett, Pilot Chris Ferguson and mission specialists Joe Tanner and Steve MacLean, who represents the Canadian Space Agency.

This mission will mark the first time in nearly four years that a space station component will be added to the orbiting outpost, which is home to NA1SS. During three spacewalks,

Atlantis crew members will install a second set of solar arrays on the space station -- doubling the station's ability to generate power from sunlight -- and the P3/P4 truss to support the arrays. No Amateur Radio operation from Atlantis is planned. The ISS recently did an orbital "reboost" to place the station at the correct altitude to support the rendezvous with Atlantis as well as September's Soyuz launch of the Expedition 14 crew.

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160 METERS THROUGH 10 METERS
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The Amateur Radio Social Event of The Year

Order you tickets for the Amateur Radio Social event of the year at <http://www.bara.org>

The Bergen Amateur Radio Association will host the 2006 Hudson Division Awards Dinner at the Holiday Inn in Saddle Brook, New Jersey on a Saturday night, November 11th, at 7 PM. We will have a very good view from the 12 floor. Some attendees may want to work a little HT DX. The location is at the junction of Route 80 and the Garden State Parkway. Ticket price will be the same as last year, \$48 per person. Please join us to honor all those receiving a division award. Ticket and ad applications will soon be available on the division web site. BARA President Tony Izzo, K2AMI promises that tickets will be sold at the BARA Hamfest. No tickets will be sold the night of the event. Ticket sales will close October 27th. Please don't leave it to the last minute!

This year's awardees are:

Amateur of the Year - Barry Cohen, K2JV (from NNJ) nominated by: K2AL, WW2OLF, KC2KMK, N2VI, W2FMI and KC2ONP (New Providence ARC/Salt Brook School ARC)

Grand Ole Ham - **Bob Raffaele, W2XM** (from ENY) nominated by: K2XA Saul Abrams

Technical Achievement: Elmer Sharp, WA2YSM (from ENY) nominated by: KB2ZE - Donald Hitt

Special Recognition for Public Service Excellence: Jeff Schneller, N2HPO (NLI) nominated by: Mike Lisenco, N2YBB and Charles Gallo, KG2V

The awards will be presented at the 2006 Hudson Division Awards Dinner hosted by the Bergen Amateur Radio Association at the Holiday Inn in Saddle Brook New Jersey just off Route 80 on Saturday night, November 11th at 7 PM. Please attend to help us honor these outstanding Amateur Radio operators who truly make us all proud to be part of the Amateur Radio Service. Tickets are \$48 and an application form is available at <http://www.bara.org/>. We hope to see you there.

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